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Abstract (en)
A switching mechanism for use e.g. in a circuit breaker of an underground electric substation has a movable rod (10a) which causes opening and closing of an electrical contact (5, 6) and a hydraulic operating system (9, 11, 12, 13, 14). The hydraulic operating system (9, 11, 12, 13, 14) uses a hydraulic fluid which has a high flammability temperature or is incombustible. Thus, even if such fluid leaks from the hydraulic operating system (9, 11, 12, 13, 14), the risk of fire or explosion is minimised. The hydraulic operating system (9, 11, 12, 13, 14) may have a sealed tank (15) for the fluid, preferably with a variable volume expansion chamber (24). In a further development, the hydraulic operating system (9, 11, 12, 13, 14), and possibly parts of the movable rod (10a), is enclosed in a casing (39, 44) which is sealed and is filled with a gas which does not support combustion therein. Thus, the risk of fire or explosion is further reduced. The casing (39) may have a variable volume expansion chamber (51). <IMAGE>

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